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FOR AMBASSADOR WALKER FROM AMBASSADOR YEUTTER

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SUBJECT: OCTOBER 2 MEETING OF AGRICULTURAL POLICY ADVISORY
COMMITTEE FOR MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS

REF: STATE 234446

1. IN LIGHT OF THE RECENT DEVELOPMENTS REGARDING GROUP
AGRICULTURE BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT THAT YOU BE AWARE OF ADVICE
AND COMMENTS WE RECEIVED THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2 AT MEETING
HELD WITH THE AGRICULTURAL POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (APAC).
AS YOU AWARE, AMBASSADOR DENT AND SECRETARY BUTZ ARE CO-
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CHAIRMAN OF THIS COMMITTEE WHICH IS MADE UP OF TOP FARM

REPRESENTATIVES FROM KEY FARM AND COMMODITY ORGANIZATIONS.
THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THE DISCUSSION RELATING TO
THE CURRENT IMPASSE WITH THE EC OVER GROUP AGRICULTURE.
FULLER DETAILS OF THE MEETING WILL BE CONTAINED IN THE
COMMITTEE'S MINUTES WHICH WILL BE MAILED TO YOU AS SOON
AS POSSIBLE.

2. APAC MET OCTOBER 2 CO-CHAIRLED BY AMBASSADOR DENT
AND SECRETARY BUTZ IN WELL ATTENDED VOCAL SESSION. AS
NORMAL PROCEDURE MEETING CLOSED TO ALL BUT PARTICIPANTS
IN ADVISORY PROGRAM. AMBASSADOR DENT REVIEWED RESULTS
HIJZEN/RABOT VISIT TO WASHINGTON. HE REPORTED THAT EC
DID NOT AT AGRICULTURE GROUP MEETING ACCEPT COMPROMISE
WORKED OUT DURING HIJZEN/RABOT VISIT. THEREFORE AGRI-
CULTURE GROUP ADJOURNED WITHOUT REACHING AGREEMENT.
AMBASSADOR DENT STATED U.S. POSITION CONCERNING NEGOTIATION
OF AGRICULTURE AND INDUSTRY REMAINS FIRM AND THAT HE
HAS INSTRUCTED MTN DEL NOT TO YIELD ON OUR BASIC POSITION
THAT EC MUST FOLLOW COMMITMENT ACCEPTED IN MAY 8 COMPRO-
MISE. AMBASSADOR STATED U.S. POSITION IS THAT STANDARDS
AND SUBSIDY CODES WILL INCLUDE BOTH AGRICULTURE AND
INDUSTRY.

3. APAC MEMBERS UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTED AMBASSADOR DENT'S
STRONG STAND AND STATED WILLINGNESS TO WORK WITH HIM IN
ANY WAY POSSIBLE. THEY EXPRESSED SENSE OF COMMITTEE
RESOLUTION IN FULL SUPPORT OF AMBASSADOR DENT'S ASSURANCE
THAT U.S. WILL REMAIN FIRM IN INSISTING THAT AGRICULTURE
AND INDUSTRY BE NEGOTIATED TOGETHER. APAC UNANIMOUSLY
RECOMMENDED THAT IF EC WILL NOT ALTER ITS POSITION ON
AGRICULTURE THAT U.S. REFUSE TO NEGOTIATE FURTHER AND THAT
UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD U.S. AGREE TO NEGOTIATE
AGRICULTURE SEPARATELY. COMMITTEE STATED VIEW THAT
NEGOTIATION OF AGRICULTURE AND INDUSTRY TOGETHER IS A
"PRIMARY ISSUE AND NOT A TECHNICAL ONE."

4. APAC WILL MEET AGAIN DECEMBER 4 TO ASSESS SITUATION
PRIOR TO DECEMBER TNC MEETING.
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